

KING BOWS AT GIRL'S REQUEST.

London Hears Story Involving American Visitor at Maribad.

London.—An amusing story is being told here about a letter which awaited King Edward's arrival at Maribad—one missive of many for the royal perusal. This letter, as the story goes, was from an American woman, whose name was not signed to it. But between the lines it appeared, however falsely, that it was written by a near relative of Miss Matilda Townsend. This is a charming young woman whose maternal grandfather was Congressman Scott, of Erie, U. S. A., and her father, Richard Townsend—"one of the Herbertons"—of Philadelphia.

By whomever written, the writer asked his majesty that, graciously, he would salute the young woman any morning he chanced to be walking near the springs. She wrote that she would never forget such a proof of his favor, and naively she described her personal appearance and the gown she would wear—for identification.

The king was highly amused. He appeared to be on the quiver for two mornings—and to be twice disappointed. The third morning he saw the gown the letter described, and lifted his hat with the grace that is only his to a group of women in which there were two Americans at least.

The P. S. in the letter added that the writer's cousin is engaged to marry a "dear personal friend of the king."

LOT OWNERS ARE DEEDLESS.

Millionaire Who Kept Accounts in Head Leaves Queer Tangle.

Webster City, Ia.—Since the death of George Wells, the eccentric Iowa millionaire, at his home in Grundy Center it develops that many of the business houses at Wellsburg, the thriving German town in Grundy county named after the millionaire, are built on lots for which the owners have no deeds except that which comes from verbal agreement and the fact of occupancy in peaceful possession for a number of years.

It appears that Mr. Wells had a great habit of deferring action in many of his deals, trades and transactions, that he disposed of lots, gave the buyer possession and stated that he would make a deed some day, being too busy to attend to the trivial work of executing the deed.

Mr. Wells carried his books in his head, so to speak, and many of his old-time friends took his word for many things, expecting, of course, to receive the deed in time, but realizing after the old man's death that they had no title to their property. A number of legal actions will be the outcome of the matter.

LEADS CHICAGO IN DIVORCES.

Separations in Minneapolis More Numerous, According to Population.

Minneapolis, Minn.—With a population one-tenth as large as Chicago, it is estimated Minneapolis has granted in the last 21 years one-eighth as many divorces as Chicago. The exact figures, as near as can be placed are: Chicago, 40,000; Minneapolis, 5,000. Such is the estimate of Clifford Jermaine, who is the government's representative in this city securing statistics as to the number of divorces granted during the last 20 years.

"One peculiar thing," he said, "about the work here is that there are five grounds on which one may secure a divorce, while in Washington or anywhere in the District of Columbia there is only one—infidelity. It is therefore five times easier to secure a separation in this state than in Washington."

A census of divorce cases and matter pertaining to them is in progress all over the country, but started only this week in Minneapolis.

INEBRIETY A DEFINITE DISEASE.

Physician Declares Use of Alcohol Is Symptom of Some Disorder.

Toronto, Ont.—That the use of alcohol is in most cases a symptom of some disorder and not a cause was the theory advanced by Dr. T. D. Crothers, superintendent of the Walnut Lodge hospital of Hartford, Conn., in a paper on "The Insanity of Inebriety," read before the British Medical association.

"The term 'inebriety,'" declared Dr. Crothers, "describes a condition which calls for alcohol for its anesthetic effect, and in reality means a disease or disorder of the brain, for which alcohol is a most grateful remedy."

"A scientific study of inebriety indicates a definite disease, with distinct causes, progress and termination, the same as other diseases."

Prepared.
Stubb—What kind of shoes are those you are wearing.
Cogger—Walking shoes.
Stubb—Walking shoes for automobile riding?
Cogger—Yes, I know my machine.

SECOND HAND MAIL BOXES.

Why a Little Village May Have Big Numbers in Its Post Office.

The man who was spending his summer vacation in the country was looking quizzically at the mail boxes in the rural post office.

"I did not know this was such a large place," he said. "I thought it had a population of only about 4,000, but the mail box numbers run much higher than that, and I don't suppose every one in town rents a box either."

The postmaster peered out of his little barred window.

"I can explain that," he said. "You see the country post offices never get new boxes, but we have those left over when the city establishments make over their offices and get new boxes. So you see lots of country places are bound to have high number boxes."

"Although our numbers run over 4,000, you won't find any less than 1,000, some other country post office drew the lower ones. I myself would rather get the big numbers, for it makes us seem like a bustling little city."

The Age of Lead.

We are wont to speak of this era as the "age of iron," and there is no gainsaying that, industrially speaking, iron is a "precious metal."

Nevertheless, few people realize how useful, if not absolutely necessary, to modern civilization, is that other metal, lead. Soft, yielding, pliable, it is not much like its sister metal, but those distinguishing qualities are what give it such a prominent place in the arts and industries.

Modern plumbing, requiring many turnings and twistings, but withal tight joints, would be almost impossible without lead pipe. The greatest civilizing agent in the world—the printing art—is absolutely dependent on lead. Hand-set type, linotype "slugs," monotype type—all are made of compositions of which lead is the chief component—to say nothing of the bearings in the presses as well as all other kinds of machinery in which "babbitt" metal is used.

Solder is another lead product—what a field of usefulness that one form opens up.

Then there is the most important use of all to which lead is put—paint, that necessary material which keeps our houses looking pretty—inside and out—and preserves them from decay.

How many of us thank metallic lead for the comforts of paint? Yet the best house paint is nothing but metallic lead corroded by acid to a white powder known as "white lead." Of course, there are many imitations of "white lead," some of which are sold as white lead and some which are offered by the name of ready-prepared paint under the familiar pretense that they are "just as good" as white lead. But all good paint is made of the metal, lead, corroded and ground to a fine white powder and mixed with linseed oil.

White lead is also used in the coating of fine oil cloths and for many purposes besides paint.

"Red lead" is another product of metallic lead and is what is known as an oxide of lead, being produced by burning the metal. Red lead is the best paint known to preserve iron, steel or tin, and is used largely in painting metal structures, such as skyscraper skeletons, mills and bridges.

There are many other products of the metal lead, such as litharge, orange mineral, etc., which are essential to many of the arts in which we never imagine that lead would be of the least use.

Verily, we live in an age of lead as well as of iron.

States of Brazil.

Politically, Brazil is divided into 21 states (including the federal district), but so unequal is the division that three of these embrace practically her entire lowlands, as well as a portion of the western uplands, and exceed in area the remaining 18, which lie within the highland region, except for their narrow margins upon the coast. These latter, however, contain more than 96 per cent. of the population.

"Cut out hot cream of tartar biscuit" used to be a common, every-day remark among physicians when discussing items of diet for their patients. But alum baking powder biscuits are never mentioned in this respect. Why? Because it's the cream of tartar that is objectionable and injurious, and yet there are some people who to-day continue to use the old cream of tartar baking powder, and wonder why they are always ailing.

The Limit.

Lawson—What a rash fellow Bjenkins is.
Dawson—Rash! I should say so! Why, Bjenkins would even offer to be one of the judges at a baby show.—Somerville Journal.

Bound to Change.

A practical adviser gives the following remedy for a red nose:
"Keep on drinking, and it will turn purple."

Nothing Succeeds Like "EGG-O-SEE."

The man who preaches the best sermon; the man who tells the funniest stories; the man who keeps the best store, or the man who makes the best goods, soon finds that people come to him. Merit is the best advertisement in the world. People speak well of things they know are good. They pass the good word along.

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No Fear.

"Bridget," said Mrs. Hiram Offer, sternly, "on my way home just now I saw that policeman who was in the kitchen with you so long last evening, and I took occasion to speak to him—"

"Oh! shure, that's all right, ma'am," interrupted Bridget. "O'm not jealous. Ol hov him cinched."

The block of granite which was an obstacle in the pathway of the weak becomes a stepping stone in the pathway of the strong.—Carlyle.

Twelve Good Rules.

Speaking of rules: Do you remember or can you recollect the "Twelve Good Rules" of King Charles I.? They are worth pasting in your hat for daily perusal, in case you do not care to memorize them:

1. Urge no healths.
2. Profane no divine ordinance.
3. Touch no state matters.
4. Reveal no secrets.
5. Pick no quarrels.
6. Make no comparisons.
7. Maintain no ill opinions.
8. Keep no bad company.
9. Encourage no vice.
10. Make no long meals.
11. Repeat no grievances.
12. Lay no wagers.—New York Press.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

Subject for Another Lecture.

"Oh, dear," exclaimed Mrs. Slapdash, when they were finally seated in the carriage, "I've only got one of my earrings on. I left the other on my dressing table."

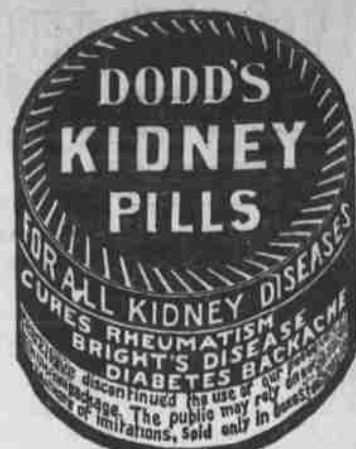
"Huh!" grunted her husband, "just like my lectures on your carelessness—in one ear and out the other."

South Africa's Gold Production.

The production of gold in the mines of South Africa for the month of June was the greatest ever recorded. In the first six months of the current year the production was nearly \$6,000,000 greater than in the corresponding time last year.

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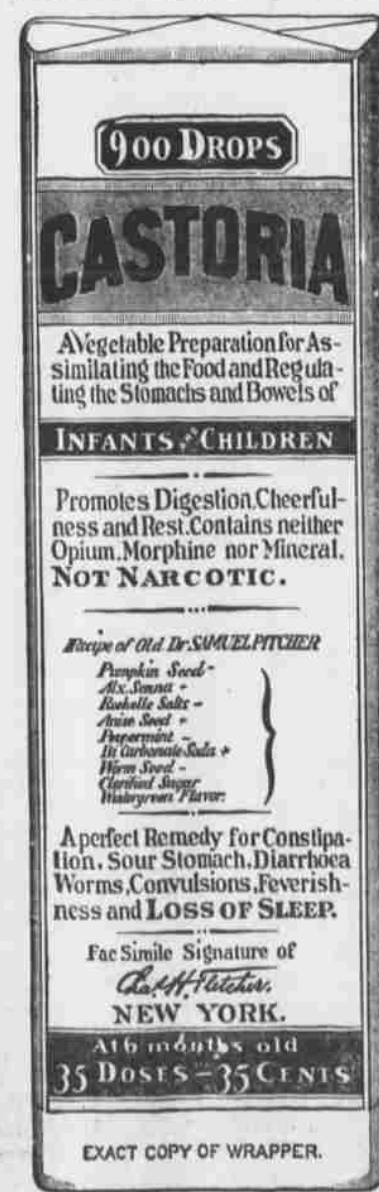
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Letters from Prominent Physicians addressed to Chas. H. Fletcher.

Dr. B. Halstead Scott, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria often for infants during my practice, and find it very satisfactory."

Dr. William Belmont, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "Your Castoria stands first in its class. In my thirty years of practice I can say I never have found anything that so filled the place."

Dr. J. H. Taft, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I have used your Castoria and found it an excellent remedy in my household and private practice for many years. The formula is excellent."

Dr. R. J. Hamlen, of Detroit, Mich., says: "I prescribe your Castoria extensively, as I have never found anything to equal it for children's troubles. I am aware that there are imitations in the field, but I always see that my patients get Fletcher's."

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